

DELTA STEWARDSHIP COUNCIL: FEBRUARY 2022 LEGISLATIVE REPORT

Watch Bills

AB 67 (PETRIE-NORRIS D) SEA LEVEL RISE: WORKING GROUP: ECONOMIC ANALYSIS.

Introduced: 12/7/2020

Last Amend: 4/5/2021

Status: DEAD

Location: 5/12/2021-A. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Would require a state agency to take into account the current and future impacts of sea level rise when planning, designing, building, operating, maintaining, and investing in infrastructure located in the coastal zone or otherwise vulnerable to flooding from sea level rise or storm surges, or when otherwise approving the allocation of state funds for those purposes. The bill would require, by March 1, 2022, the Ocean Protection Council, in consultation with the Office of Planning and Research, to establish a multiagency working group, consisting of specified individuals, on sea level rise to provide recommended policies, resolutions, projects, and other actions to address sea level rise, the breadth of its impact, and the severity of its anticipated harm. The bill would require the council, in consultation with the working group to, among other things, develop a standardized methodology and template for conducting economic analyses of risks and adaptation strategies associated with sea level rise, as provided.

AB 979 (FRAZIER – D) SACRAMENTO-SAN JOAQUIN DELTA: PROJECTS: SEA LEVEL RISE ANALYSIS REPORT

Introduced: 2/18/2021

Last Amend: 4/13/2021

Status: DEAD

Location: 4/27/2021-A. APPR.

Summary: The Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta Reform Act of 2009, provides that it is the policy of the state to, among other things, reduce reliance on the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta in meeting California's future water supply needs through a statewide strategy of investing in improved regional supplies, conservation, and water use efficiency. Current law establishes the Delta Stewardship Council, which is required to develop, adopt, and commence implementation of a comprehensive management plan, known as the Delta Plan, for the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta. This bill would require any individual or entity that undertakes a project, as defined, within the Delta to complete a report analyzing the impact of sea level rise on the project.

AB 2101 (FLORA - R) WHOLE ORCHARD RECYCLING PROJECTS: CARBON OFFSETS.

Introduced: 2/14/2022

Last Amend: N/A

Status: A. Desk

Summary: The California Global Warming Solutions Act of 2006 designates the State Air Resources Board as the state agency charged with monitoring and regulating sources of emissions of greenhouse gases. The state board is required to ensure that statewide greenhouse gas emissions are reduced to at least 40% below the 1990 level by 2030. The act requires the state board, on or before January 1, 2011, to adopt greenhouse gas emissions limits and emissions reduction measures by regulation to achieve the maximum technologically feasible and cost-effective reductions in greenhouse gas emissions in furtherance of achieving the statewide greenhouse gas emissions limit. The act authorizes the state board to include the use of market-based compliance mechanisms in regulating greenhouse gas

emissions. This bill would establish, for purposes of compliance with the act, the amount of offset credits attributable to a whole orchard recycling project.

SB 230 (PORTANTINO - D) STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD: CONSTITUENTS OF EMERGING CONCERN PROGRAM.

Introduced: 1/19/2021

Status: Passed Senate (37-0)

Location: 1/26/2022-A. Desk

Summary: Would require the State Water Resources Control Board to establish, maintain, and direct a dedicated program called the Constituents of Emerging Concern in Drinking Water Program for 5 years to assess the state of information and recommend areas for further study on, among other things, the occurrence of constituents of emerging concern (CEC) in drinking water sources and treated drinking water. The bill would require the state board to convene, by an unspecified date, the Science Advisory Panel for 3 years to review and provide recommendations to the state board on CECs for further action, among other duties. The bill would require the state board to provide a final report to the Legislature by June 1, 2026, on the work conducted by the panel.

SB 351 (CABALLERO - D) WATER INNOVATION ACT OF 2021.

Introduced: 2/9/2021

Last Amend: 4/20/2021

Status: DEAD

Location: 5/10/2021-S. APPR. SUSPENSE FILE

Summary: Current law establishes the State Water Resources Control Board for the purposes of providing for the orderly and efficient administration of the water resources of the state. This bill, the Water Innovation Act of 2021, would create the Office of Water Innovation at the California Water Commission for the furtherance of new technologies and other innovative approaches in the water sector. The bill would require the office, by December 31, 2023, to take specified measures to

advance innovation in the water sector. The bill would make findings and declarations regarding the need for water innovation.

SB 901 (PAN - D) FLOOD PROTECTION: CITY OF WEST SACRAMENTO FLOOD RISK REDUCTION PROJECT.

Introduced: 2/1/2022

Last Amend: N/A

Status: S. Natural Resources and Water

Summary: Existing law provides for state cooperation with the federal government in the construction of specified flood control projects. Existing law adopts and authorizes federally adopted and approved projects, including a project for flood control along the American and Sacramento Rivers, at an estimated cost to the state of the sum that may be appropriated by the Legislature for state participation upon the recommendation and advice of the Department of Water Resources or the Central Valley Flood Protection Board. This bill would adopt and approve the West Sacramento Project for flood risk reduction along the Yolo Bypass, Sacramento Bypass, and Sacramento River, which was adopted and approved by a specific act of the United States Congress in 2016, at an estimated cost to the state of the sum that may be appropriated by the Legislature for state participation, upon the recommendation and advice of the department or the board.